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C O N F I D E N T I A L KINGSTON 2850

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, JM, US

SUBJECT: AGREEMENT REQUEST FOR NEW JAMAICAN AMBASSADOR TO U.S.

REF: KINGSTON 2822

1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED FORMAL DIP NOTE REQUESTING AGREEMENT FOR MR. ALFRED ADOLPHUS RATTRAY AS AMBASSADOR OF JAMAICA TO U.S. IN ACCOMPANYING PERSONAL NOTE TO THE AMBASSADOR THE CHIEF OF PROTOCOL WROTE "AS WE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE MR. RATTRAY IN THE POST AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE, I WONDER IF YOU WOULD BE GOOD ENOUGH TO SEEK THE EARLY APPROVAL OF YOUR GOVERNMENT FOR HIS NOMINATION."

2. FOLLOWING IS RATTRAY'S CURRICULUM VITAE, WHICH WAS ENCLOSED WITH NOTE:
BEGIN TEXT: CURRICULUM VITAE

NAME: ALFRED ADOLPHUS RATTRAY, L.L.B.: F.C.A.: A.C.I.S.

DATE OF BIRTH: JANUARY 19, 1925

MARITAL STATUS: CYNTHIA LOUISE (WESTON) - 1951

CHILDREN: ELAINE SUSAN (16); CATHY ANN (11)

EDUCATION:

1. PORUS INFANT AND ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

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2. EXCELSIOR HIGH SCHOOL - 1944-1945

3. H. FOULKES LYNCH, LONDON - CORRESPONDENCE
4. LONDON UNIVERSITY - EXTERNAL STUDENT
5. LINCOLNS INN, LONDON
6. LONDON SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS

QUALIFICATIONS: CERTIFIED SECRETARY - 1950; CERTIFIED ACCOUNTANT - 1951; L.L.B. (LONDON) - 1953; CALLED TO THE BAR - 1960

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL BODIES:

1. FELLOW OF THE INSTITUTE OF CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS OF JAMAICA (F.C.A.)
2. ASSOCIATE OF THE CORPORATION OF SECRETARIES AND MANAGERS (A.C.I.S.)
3. ATTORNEY AT LAW

POSITIONS HELD:

JOINED THE CIVIL SERVICE IN 1945. HELD VARIOUS POSITIONS INCLUDING ACCOUNT AND MANAGER OF FOOD CONTROL DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT; SEVERAL ADMINISTRATIVE POSTS. RESIGNED AS ASSISTANT UNDER SECRETARY IN THE MINISTRY OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY IN 1964.

JOINED MSSRS. MYERS, FLETCHER AND GORDON ATTORNEYS AT LAW IN 1964; BECAME A PARTNER IN 1965.

APPOINTMENTS:

SERVED AS DIRECTOR AND MEMBER OF SEVERAL BOARDS AND STATUTORY BODIES, INCLUDING:

STATUTORY BOARDS:

1. THE JAMAICA INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION - MEMBER 1964; AND DEPUTY CHAIRMAN SINCE 1966.
2. THE PORT AUTHORITY OF JAMAICA - MEMBER 1967 AND CHAIRMAN SINCE 1970.
3. THE PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY BOARD - MEMBER AND CHAIRMAN SINCE 1970.

COMPANIES:

1. JAMAICA FROZEN FOODS LIMITED - MEMBER AND CHAIRMAN SINCE 1967.

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MAN SINCE 1967.

2. NEW KINGSTON HOTEL LIMITED - MEMBER 1965 AND CHAIRMAN SINCE
3. SHERATON INTERNATIONAL (JAMAICA) LIMITED - MEMBER OF BOARD SINCE 1965.
4. MEMBERSHIP ON BOARD OF SUNDRY OTHER COMPANIES.

OTHER ACTIVITIES:

1. MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF EXCELSIOR HIGH SCHOOL.
 2. PART TIME LECTURER AND EXAMINER IN COMMERCIAL LAW AT THE UNIVERSITY OF THE WEST INDIES SINCE 1961.
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